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## CONSOLIDATION CUTS EXPENSE BILL OF STATE

126 Positions, 6 Autos, Traveling Costs and Other Items Eliminated by Combining Departments

## BUREAU ELIMINATED

Town Highway Body's Work to Be More Efficiently Handled—Had Been Done of Contention for 10 Years

Albany, Dec. 26.—A total of \$271,511.15 will be saved to the state through the elimination of 126 positions, six automobiles, traveling expenses, rents and miscellaneous costs made possible by consolidation of the state departments of highways, public buildings and public works under the new public works law, Colonel Frederick Stuart Greene, state superintendent of public works, told Governor Smith in a letter made public today. Colonel Greene added that instead of doing harm, the elimination of the "unnecessary" positions "will improve the morale and increase the efficiency of all three bureaus."

The letter explained that the duties of the secretary of the bureau of highways will be performed by an assistant secretary of the public works department, whose title will be changed to chief clerk, bureau of highways. Duties of two general maintenance engineers in the bureau of highways will be performed by the nine division engineers of the public works department and their 69 county assistants. The duties of the assistant to the first deputy will be transferred to the commissioner of highways and his first deputy.

Town Highway Bureau Eliminated. The third deputy and his entire staff, known as the bureau of town highways, will be eliminated, the latter said, as recommended as far back as 1911 by a board of consulting engineers after a survey of the highway department and as recommended or considered advisable by every highway commissioner since that time. Elimination previously was impossible during the war, it was explained. The highway department was then short of men, and seven Indian reservation superintendents and five employees in the Albany headquarters will be carried by the nine division engineers and their 69 county assistants. The division engineers, Colonel Greene declared, will approve as to accuracy, location and design plans for all county and town roads for which the state contributes a share of the cost. The engineers will have the assistance of their aides in each county, 69 men in all, who will be in charge of road construction while it is in progress and will be in a position to see that the \$5,000,000 expended annually by the state for road work is spent properly. This policy of supervision and control, Colonel Greene explained, is similar to methods adopted by the federal government on roads built by state and federal aid.

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## STATE BUDGET HAS 25 MILLION GAIN OVER LAST YEAR'S

Debt Service Alone Shows Lessened Estimate—May Be Cut by Use of \$50,000,000 Bond Issue Funds

Albany, Dec. 26.—The departmental estimate of the cost of running New York state in the fiscal year 1924-25 reached a total of \$170,459,664, an increase of \$22,935,122.68 over the legislative appropriations and an increase of \$20,258,614.94 over the financial requests of a year ago, according to final tabulations of the legislative budget committee made public today.

The totals of the various parts of the budget as segregated by the budget committee follows: Personal service: \$22,886,200.02, as compared with the current year, \$18,145,480.05.

Maintenance and operation: \$72,900,823.64, as compared with the current year, \$65,968,299.05.

Needs Legislative Approval. The departmental estimate, as compared with the current year, \$3,691,260.10.

Construction exclusive of highways: \$22,136,946.52, as compared with the current year, \$18,367,035.10.

Highway construction and maintenance: \$24,885,820, as compared with current year, \$23,386,190.

Debt service: \$11,441,346.14, as compared with current year, \$11,536,855.24.

The amount sought for construction work is to be used chiefly for institutions but it was explained that if the funds from the \$50,000,000 bond issue are made available, all of the budget amount will not be needed.

The budget now must go to the legislature for approval.

## L. C. C. WILL HEAR RAIL ARGUMENTS

Week of January 7 Set Aside for Consolidation Discussion by All Interested

Washington, Dec. 26.—Time for argument with the Interstate Commerce commission on the subject of railroad consolidation was assigned today to the counsel for railroads and interests concerned in the tentative plan for general consolidation of the roads of the United States into 18 or 19 great systems will be given opportunity at that time to discuss the evidence and showings which have been elicited by two full years of hearings before the commission and its examiners.

The first day's session will be given to consideration of issues between the New York Central and Pennsylvania railroads over the disposition to be made of the Philadelphia and Reading systems. The commission will hear on Tuesday from Pennsylvania state interests and take up the New England situation, concluding discussion of that territory Wednesday when Boston city representatives will appear.

Wednesday's discussion also will deal with southern railroad questions.

## BODY OF MAN WHO KILLED FIVE BURNED WITH COTTAGE

Danvers, Mass., Dec. 26.—County Attorney Weston M. Hilton said today that he would ask the jury (for assistance and would go the limit in an effort to discover who dug up John Snow's body yesterday and burned it in the cottage in Jefferson where Snow killed three women and sent a bullet into his own body on Saturday after having killed another woman and her son. If the persons responsible for what he characterized as one of the most disgraceful things Lincoln county had ever known were identified, he said, they would be prosecuted.

Thus far, Mr. Hilton added, there was no definite clue to the persons concerned in the burning.

ENGINEER COMBINED. Panama, Pa., Dec. 26.—Louis Flick, a locomotive engineer, and Pittsburgh railroad engineer, was commended by road officials today for wrecking five freight cars at Indiana last night. Flick reported that he caused the cars to back up by applying the brakes suddenly in order to save the life of an aged woman who was walking along the ties in front of his train.

## KNOX MAN, PRISONED TO EARTH, SAVES OWN LIFE

Albany, Dec. 26.—Stanley Williams of Knox, near here, Albany county sealer of weights and measures, escaped being burned when his automobile overturned, placed him beneath the steering wheel and burst into flames tonight by throwing mud on the car and putting a handful of wet earth on the gasoline tank. Williams' car skidded, went over a bank, overturned and placed him beneath the steering wheel. He tried to wriggle free, but succeeded only in releasing his legs and arms. The car was a 1922 model from Glasgow, Scotland, and was driven by Williams. The car was overturned and burst into flames tonight by throwing mud on the car and putting a handful of wet earth on the gasoline tank. Williams' car skidded, went over a bank, overturned and placed him beneath the steering wheel. He tried to wriggle free, but succeeded only in releasing his legs and arms. The car was a 1922 model from Glasgow, Scotland, and was driven by Williams.

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## TRAIN MEN TO CONTINUE WAGE NEGOTIATIONS

Rock Island Engineers' Settlement With Rock Island at Present Rate Does Not Affect Other Contracts

## NO STRIKE PLANNED

Officials of Union Deny Widely Circulated Rumors of Contemplated Walk Out if Demands Not Met

Cleveland, Dec. 26.—Negotiations for a 10 per cent wage increase for train service men will be continued despite the fact that the engineers settled with the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific railroad company on the basis of last year's pay, leaders of the engineers, firemen and trainmen announced here tonight. They also declared emphatically that there is no foundation for widely circulated reports that the train service men are preparing to strike.

In confirming the announcement of the Rock Island management several days ago that its engineers had signed up for another year at last year's wages, Warren E. Stone, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, explained that no increase had been asked by the engineers on that system. The settlement applied only to the engineers, he said.

"That will have no bearing on our negotiations with the New York Central line, or any other road," Mr. Stone said, "but the railroad management is trying to use it."

"We will return to New York January 2 to resume conferences with the New York Central lines for wage increases where they were adjourned for the Christmas holidays."

Firemen Expect Strike. "The engineers' brotherhood this year made no concerted wage demands and allowed the organization of each road to handle their wage question."

D. B. Robertson, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, who is handling the wage demands of his men jointly with Mr. Stone and the engineers, said that the firemen had not settled on the Rock Island, because they do not intend to settle for the old wage.

The trainmen and conductors, who are handling their wage negotiations with the various railroads together, will go back to conference with the New York Central system in New York shortly after the first of the year, W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, said.

## NO WORD FROM MISSING DIXMUDE

Search Proves Unavailing—Wireless Silent for Several Days

(By the Associated Press.) Paris, Dec. 26.—No word yet from the missing dirigible Dixmude, which may still be in the air, after many days, or may have effected a landing in some out-of-the-way place in the French protectorate of Tunisia in northern Africa, or in the Sahara desert. For several days now the dirigible's wireless has been silent and the great craft itself has vanished.

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## MEXICAN REPORTS CONTINUE TO BE VERY CONTRARY

Obregon Reports Nearly All of Republic in Federal Hands—Federal Win Battle—General's Desert

El Paso, Tex., Dec. 26.—Federal troops now control the entire republic of Mexico except those positions held by the troops under General Guadalupe Sanchez and Enrique Estrada, Mexican, Consul General Enrique Estrada was advised today by Mexico City.

More Troops Turn Rebel. San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 26.—Over-taken and threatened with annihilation by the rebel army of General Romulo Figueroa, federal forces under General Rafael Toranzo Arnes and Jose Bolivar Sierra joined the Mexican rebellion, according to a bulletin issued in San Antonio tonight by Ruben Viscarra, confidential agent of Adolfo de la Huerta.

The defection of the force, upon which he had depended in his plans for defense of the capital, caused General Arnulfo R. Gomez, commander of the federal garrison in Mexico City to withdraw the garrison of the city of Puebla. Further divisions, according to the bulletin, caused Gomez to retire toward the capital. General Genovevo de la Cza was left in command of a substantial rear guard and instructed to make a defensive campaign only, the bulletin said.

Upon its evacuation by the federalists, the railroad men in Puebla declared for De la Huerta and went out to join the rebels, the bulletin said, taking with them all available rolling stock.

Federals Win Victory. Nogales, Ariz., Dec. 26.—Two thousand federal soldiers under General Lazaro Carenes, marching from the interior of Mexico to the rebel stronghold at Guadalupe, capital of Jalisco, made their first contact with the rebel army today at Tamaulipas, capturing the town after repelling the army with severe losses, according to official government advice received here tonight.

The defeated rebel troops were part of the army under the command of General Enrique Estrada. The victorious government forces captured 300 prisoners and are pursuing the rebels toward Guadalupe, according to the advice which was received from President Obregon, who is commanding the Jalisco campaign. There were many casualties.

While the Obregon army marches on Guadalupe from the southeast, federal troops from Tepic, Nayarit, are entrenched at the Jalisco-Nayarit frontier, in half-moon form. By this means the government hopes to halt a retreat of the insurgents toward the west coast if the Obregon army succeeds in driving them from Guadalupe.

President Obregon is making headquarters at Irapuato, in Guanajuato, during the campaign, it was stated in the advice.

## ATHENS EXCITEDLY AWAITS VENIZELLOS

Return of Ex-Premier Causes Gladness—Politicians Forget Party Differences

(By the Associated Press.) Athens, Dec. 26.—Athens is talking of little else than the declaration of Eleftherios Constantine Venizelos, Greece's wartime premier, to return to his homeland and give the country the benefit of his genius as a statesman and conciliator in an attempt to readjust the problems which have arisen from Greece's bitter political strife.

Greek meetings Greek with the salutation, "He's coming," which is reminiscent of two years ago when King Constantine was recalled from exile in Switzerland and already sworn political enemies have been seen shaking hands.

The Athens newspapers today devoted large portions of their space to portraits of Venizelos and particulars of the successful efforts to have him return to Greece. The Republican papers, while not caring to minimize the importance of the event, take care to point out that the former premier's return here will only be temporary, and proceed to reveal their fears that Venizelos may insist on the return of the king in order to gain the support of the royalists to his program.

It is calculated that the ship's store of gasoline might have been exhausted by Sunday, December 23, and consequently, the only thing left to do is to expect the region where the ship might have come down either voluntarily or by force of circumstance.

All reports that the dirigible has been observed over Tunisia recently, a long proved erroneous, the ministry considers that there is nothing to justify the belief that she was carried to sea. An extensive search made Sunday and Monday in the neighborhood between the Cape of Tunis and the Bay of Mada-Triad, with help from the British and Italian allies, yielded no result.

LOWER PRODUCTION SLIGHTLY. Washington, Dec. 26.—Advent of cold weather has worked to decrease production and employment slightly in basic industries of the country, according to a review of business conditions made public today by the Federal reserve board. The board's report showed, however, that the decrease did not exceed two per cent in production and that there was no loss of employment.

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## LT. WOOD VERY FORTUNATE IN SPECULATIONS

Son of Gov. Gen. Wood of Philippines Said to Have Amassed \$700,000 in Wall Street on Tips

## WORKED BY CABLE

Advice and Orders Given by Nightly Messages—Profits by Phenomenal Rise of Standard of N. J.

New York, Dec. 26.—Lieutenant Osborn C. Wood, son of Governor General Leonard Wood of the Philippines, who is reported to have accumulated a fortune of between \$700,000 and \$800,000 in Wall Street, received information on which he acted through a Wall Street "tipster" who sent him nightly cablegrams and for which he is reported to have paid \$1,000 a month, including cable charges.

This information was disclosed today by Alfred T. Moore head of the service, who exhibited to newspapermen copies of hundreds of messages sent to Lieutenant Wood, urging him to buy or sell stock and giving him the analysis of stocks on which information was requested. These cablegrams ranged from three to several hundred words and were written in plain English and not in code, the daily cable charges running from a few dollars to nearly \$100.

Refuses to Divulge Details. Mr. Moore, who said he had never met Lieutenant Wood and wouldn't know him if he saw him, received an inquiry from the young army officer shortly after Wood's arrival in the Philippines. After an exchange of messages, Moore agreed to supply the information wanted and cablegrams were sent to Manila every week day night thereafter. While Mr. Moore declined to state whether the service had been stopped, it was learned that Lieutenant Wood had received a cablegram from Mr. Moore as late as December 19. Mr. Moore admitted that about that time he had cabled Lieutenant Wood to state his position in the market but had not received a response.

Lieutenant Wood did not reveal to Mr. Moore the names of his brokers or the details of his daily operations but occasionally he would give his position on certain stocks with the number of shares held and ask for advice. Mr. Moore declined to give out this information on the ground that it was of a confidential character.

Bought Standard Oil. From other sources, however, details of Lieutenant Wood's operations came to light. Contrary to some reports, Lieutenant Wood's amazing success was not entirely the result of "pyramiding," that is the purchase of additional stocks with the paper profits of a previous purchase. The army officer first "killed" was in Standard Oil of New Jersey, which he was advised to buy in the fall of 1922 around \$18 a share and which rose almost perpendicularly to \$250.50 without a break of any consequence. Lieutenant Wood is reported to have admitted a profit of 60 points on that stock, but no information is available as to the extent of his original purchase.

Professional Wall Street operators frankly confessed that Lieutenant Wood's success was extraordinary, especially when it is considered he is 6,000 miles from Wall Street.

## 5 OF 9 IN SHOOTING AFFRAYS NOW DEAD

Another Seriously Wounded—Deputy Killed in Duel—Negro Slain

Hamard, Ky., Dec. 26.—Of nine men who participated in Perry county shooting affrays over Christmas, five are now dead, one is seriously wounded and said to be in a critical condition and three men unaccounted for.

Jerry Dunn, storekeeper, was the last of the five to die, succumbing today to wounds he received at the same time J. D. Mathews, a barber, and Lester Hays, a miner, were killed. Three men, all inside Dunn's store, were shot by deputy sheriffs. They passed the building when a firecracker was said to have exploded at their feet and they took it as an indication they were being fired upon from the store.

Deputy Sheriff William Smith and Dennis Phillips engaged in a pistol fight Christmas eve, during which Smith was killed and Phillips wounded.

John Richmond, 24, negro, was slain Christmas day when he was alleged to have attempted to enter the home of James Workman.

FEDERAL INTERVIEWED. New York, Dec. 26.—The body of Mrs. Helen Chen, widow, pretty 29-year-old wife of Henry C. Chen, a Chinese consul general in New York, was found today in the bathroom in their 9, 6th street apartment. Her throat was cut and the cord from a bathrobe was found tightly around her neck. She had been dead several hours when her husband found her body.

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## 2 NAVAL OFFICERS DEMOTED AS RESULT OF HONDA ACCIDENT

Captain Watson to Lose 150 Numbers and Lieutenant Commander or Hunter 100—Denby Approves Findings

Washington, Dec. 26.—Captain Edward H. Watson, commander of the destroyer squadron wrecked on the California coast near Point Honda last September will lose 150 numbers and Lieutenant Commander Donald T. Hunter, commander of the destroyer Delphi, one of the squadron, will lose 100 numbers as a result of naval court martial sentences approved today by Secretary Denby.

In approving the findings in the case of Captain Watson, Secretary Denby said that officer would "be placed at the foot of the captain list of the present date and there remain until he shall have lost 150 numbers in his grade."

Captain Watson is now No. 66 in the list of captains and has but six years to serve before he will retire on account of age. Commander Hunter, who was in charge of the flagship of the squadron, now occupies place No. 149 on the list of lieutenant commanders.

Meritorious Service Considered. The cases of the two officers were the only ones to come before the department out of the 11 officers who went on trial, eight being acquitted and the conviction of another being set aside subsequently at San Diego.

In approving the findings of the court, in the cases of Captain Watson and Commander Hunter, Secretary Denby said this was done "subject to the remarks" of Rear Admiral J. L. Latimer, judge advocate general, and Rear Admiral Andrew T. Long, chief of the bureau of navigation, both of whom expressed the opinion in reviewing the court records that the sentences imposed were inadequate.

In a memorandum both Admirals Latimer and Long added, however, that the court evidently had taken into consideration the long and meritorious services of the two officers.

## SLIGHT PROGRESS IN CHURCH UNION

Anglican and Catholic Faiths Make Slight Headway in Private Conferences

(By the Associated Press.) London, Dec. 26.—The question of the reunion of churches, especially the Anglican and Roman Catholic, which was devoted to resolutions at the famous Lambeth conference in 1898, has made only the slightest headway, according to a Christmas letter which the Archbishop of Canterbury has issued from Lambeth palace to the dignitaries of the Anglican reunion.

Reviewing all that has happened since that conference, the archbishop declares that three private conferences have since been held at Malvern, initiated by Cardinal Mercier and some few Anglicans, with the object of discussing "the outstanding and familiar barriers between the church of England and the church of Rome."

The third of these, essentially private and unofficial conferences was held only a few weeks ago and the archbishop says that, although he himself accepts personal responsibility in that responsibility, he explains that the conference can not properly be described as negotiations since the Anglicans participating were in no sense delegates of the whole church.

The movement has merely sought to affect some restatement of controverted questions and the elucidation of perplexities.

## SECOND BROTHER TO DIE ON LEAVE FROM WEST POINT

West Point, Dec. 26.—Frederick Stanley Cusack, West Point cadet, whose body was found beneath the eaves of a building here in New York yesterday, was the second member of his family to meet accidental death while on leave from West Point. A brother, also a cadet, was drowned several years ago.

Cusack entered West Point from the 18th congressional district of Ohio, in 1921. He was a corporal in Company C and ranked high in academic work. West Point authorities discredited any theory of suicide.

According to the boys, Kelly pointed an alluring picture of the west with cowboy and rancher and plenty of money. They agreed to leave home with him on his own, and supported him for several weeks by John Kelly and his wife.

Kelly was arrested after he came to the sheriff's office to report his "man" missing from a farm.

The telegram from Birmingham said Kelly has been responsible for the disappearance of several other cadets from New York City.

Three policemen rescued three patients who became confused and finally took refuge in a lavatory in one of the wards. The policemen charged down the doors and dragged the patients out.

The situation on the Cuba railroad remained unchanged today. Troops are guarding the road.

## 17 KNOWN DEAD IN ASYLUM FIRE; THREE MISSING

Frame Structure Near Chicago Bursts into Flames While Mildly Insane Patients Were Eating Supper

## FIND WOMAN'S BODY

Believed to Be That of Attendant Who Entered Building to Aid Rescue—Little Confusion Prevails

Chicago, Dec. 27.—Seventeen patients of the Chicago state hospital for the insane at Dunning are known to have died in a fire which destroyed a part of one section of the frame structure of the institution. At midnight a search of the ruins still was in progress and other bodies may be lying in the ruins.

One of the bodies removed from the ruins of the building was that of a woman. It was at first thought that all of the patients had been removed. About 600 patients were in the building when the fire started.

About 50 of the patients left the hospital grounds during the conflagration. Many of them returned to the asylum, which consists of seven buildings housing 3,500 patients.

Patients at Supper Table. The woman who perished is believed to have been an attendant who went into the building to rescue patients as the fire was spreading in the building.

Attendants said that possibly a score had perished but believe the number would be less than that. The fire is supposed to have been caused by an over-heated boiler in ward No. 3 of the frame annex where the flames first burst through into the rooms where the men patients were at the supper table.

Many of those killed are believed to have been suffocated or were partly overcome and dropped while the guards were hurrying the others into a drinking hall to safety.

The building housed those only mildly insane and included many who were about to be discharged. When the fire was first noticed by an attendant, a song was sung and the patients were told to get up and respond.

The patients were hurriedly formed into lines and marched from the building with little confusion, most of the patients volunteering their services in assisting others.

Those who left the building were marched to the amusement building, about a quarter of a mile away. A few of the attendants remained to help try to check the flames, but made little headway and three of the wards of the building were destroyed before much success had been attained toward checking the spread of the fire. Firemen from Chicago responded to the alarm and policemen hurried to the scene to help in caring for the patients and keep them from wandering away.

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## Sports of 1923

By FEO MURRAY

## Review of the Year—Football



## All American Selections

Two players stood out head and shoulders above all others during the 1923 football season, namely George Fanni of Cornell and "Red" Grange of Illinois. Both were the leading scorers of their respective sections, and both were unanimously selected by sports writers on their various all-star teams. Fanni of Penn. State performed the greatest feats of open field play.

running in his team's games against the Navy and Pennsylvania, scoring three touchdowns in each game with long runs. On the Pacific Coast, Morrill stood out in the University of California team, his individual work beating Stanford in the "Big Game" of the year.

Most of the foremost stars of the year are included in the following two teams:

QB—Fanni, Cornell.  
FB—Morrill, Penn. State.  
HB—Grange, Illinois.  
E—McKee, Syracuse.  
T—Mittred, Yale.  
G—Brown, Notre Dame.  
C—Carls, Army.  
Q—McKee, Illinois.  
T—Mittred, Yale.  
QB—Workman, Ohio State.

WEDNESDAY 27—DECEMBER 26

Worcester: The Tigers of Black Age Turned to Green

Otago, Dec. 26.—In a basketball game played at Feller's hall on Wednesday evening the Otago basketball team turned the tables on the Worcester team, which defeated them on last Friday night, by winning with a score of 27-26. This margin of three points is identical with the margin in the other game mentioned above, a 16-13 victory for Worcester.

The game was fast, clean, and well played. Standings of Otago and Worcester of Worcester had high scores of 14 and 16 respectively.

Following is the tabulated story:

Worcester:	FB	FP	TP
W. Whitcomb, Jr.	4	4	16
G. Whitcomb, Jr.	1	0	2
Ferguson, C.	0	0	0
Leach, R.	0	0	0
Chase, J.	0	1	1
Totals	5	5	19

Otago:	FB	FP	TP
Cornell, R.	3	1	7
Sandike, R.	5	0	11
Hamilton, C.	0	0	0
Gifford, C.	0	0	0
Forbes, J.	4	1	9
Bailey, J.	0	0	0
Totals	12	1	17

Referee: Sandike; umpire: Davidson; scorer: Hilsinger; and timer: Wilcox.

## SHOEMEN WIN AT BASKETBALL

Defeat Harpersfield, 25 to 20, in Game Last Evening.

The Ontario Shoe Retailers defeated the Harpersfield town team at basketball on the latter organization's court last evening by a score of 25 to 20. The Ontario outfit led at the end of the first half by a score of 15 to 4.

Harpersfield:	FB	FP	TP
Rogers, R.	1	0	3
Dyer, R.	0	0	0
Davenport, R.	2	1	7
Dart, J.	0	1	1
VanDusen, C.	0	0	0
Totals	3	2	11

Otago:	FB	FP	TP
J. Daly, Jr.	3	4	10
J. Daly, Jr.	1	1	2
Leonard, C.	1	0	2
Decker, R.	4	0	8
Valley, R.	1	0	2
Totals	10	5	22

## Red Sox Take Three From Senators

The Red Sox took all three games from the Senators last evening in their match in the Miller bowling tournament in spite of the fact that three of the men of the former team were absent. Lawton had high evening with 217 and Leal high game of 224.

Following are the tabulations:

Lawton	215	170	104—387
Ingersoll	110	145	117—372
Newcomb	122	126	112—401
H. W. Smith	122	122	220—416
Leal	100	104	216—420

Totals ... 755 794 746—3294

Red Sox:	200	201	184—585
Calder	150	150	150—450
Devlin	110	145	145—400
Stapleton	150	150	300—450
Kilwenny	200	140	190—440

Totals ... 810 786 769—2445

## BUILDING TRADES IN FRACK

New York, Dec. 26.—Peace in the building trades in the coming year was forecast today in an announcement by employers and union men that all wage controversies had been smoothed out in an agreement for a 50-cent daily wage increase. The men had asked \$1 in November. The pact, although not actually signed, was considered a certainty, it was said. It is expected to be adopted January 1 and will be effective two years.

## ALLEGED FORGER HELD

Los Angeles, Dec. 26.—Fred Mayher, alias E. B. Hatfield, alias William F. Walker, was arrested here Monday charged with swindling Kansas City banks out of \$27,000. Police say Mayher confessed nationwide forgeries which netted him more than \$100,000 from banks in Brooklyn, Boston, Buffalo, Kansas City, New Orleans, Chicago, St. Paul and other cities. All his property, he said, had been lost in stock speculations.

## CONFESS BANK ROBBERY

Edmonton, Pa., Dec. 26.—Pleading guilty to robbing the Cassandra deposit bank a month ago, Michael Kaseck and Nick Bove were each sentenced to a term of from 10 to 20 years in the Western penitentiary in Cambria county criminal court Monday. Kaseck was arrested a few hours after the holding and Bove was traced to Cleveland, O., where he was taken into custody. The bandits obtained \$1,000 in the holdup.

## AGAIN CABLES "FORGOTTEN"

Chicago, Dec. 26.—C. E. Ruthenberg, secretary of the Workers' party of America, made public on Monday a cablegram received from Moscow from Shervier, Communist International, in which Shervier said instructions alleged to have been sent by him to the Workers' party for further radicalism in America and made public by Secretary Hughes had been forged.

## MUST DIE IN CHAIR

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 26.—John Thomas Shaw, negro, was found guilty of first degree murder and his sentence fixed at death in the electric chair for the slaying of Helen Hayes, which by a jury in criminal court here last Monday. The jury was out one hour and 45 minutes. Date for carrying out the death penalty was not set.

## Bugs On Stage

After R. O'Brien of this city had purchased of Arthur J. Niles the latter's general merchandise stock and inventory in Otago and taken possession on Jan. 1 and will continue the same to Otago to reside, he having purchased a bar a few.

## Breadth of Mind

The resignation of H. J. Murphy of Cleveland, as vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, effective December 31, has been submitted and accepted by the board of directors. President W. G. Lee has announced that a request from Cleveland, Ohio.

First job getting at Herald office

## LITTLE LESSONS IN BIG SPORTS

## BASKETBALL

## VITAL POINTS IN DEVELOPING ATTACK

What vital points must be considered in developing an attack?

Answered by DR. JAMES HAINSWORTH

The inventor of the game, who has done more to further it than any other one man alive. University of Kansas.

When in possession of the ball, have more men in the attack than there are in the defense. Two players can outwit one; three, two, etc. The five men offense was originated to get five men going against four. This led to the five men defense in order to meet this development.

Open up a point from which you can score by drawing the defense away by threats at other points.

Pass the ball into the open in such a way that your player can reach it first, either by automatic action or by signal.

Pass the ball in such a way that your player can reach it more easily than the opponent; if possible, so that he is between the ball and his opponent.

Pass the ball in such a way that if your player is in motion he does not need to slow up to catch the ball.

Pass it in such a way that he will be in the best possible position to make his next move, whether it be to throw a goal or to make another pass. Practice the men in passing and catching the ball so that it may be passed so rapidly that the opponents cannot intercept it.

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## FIVE MAN DEFENSE

What is meant by the "five man defense?"

Answered by W. E. MEANWELL

Coach, University of Wisconsin, inventor of the short passing game, the criss-cross attack and the five man defense. Always has a dangerous and leading team in the Conference.

The term "five man defense" is now generally applied to a two line formation in which the center and two forwards form the first line and the two guards the second. The first line, with the center in the middle, should locate just back of the jumping circle on a ninety-four foot court, or on other courts, so far from the goal they are defending, that only "hoop" shots are possible over their heads. The forwards, each on their own side of the floor, are about ten feet to the right and left of the center, and about three feet behind him.

The second line should locate about fifteen feet back of the first and each guard should be facing a point midway between the forward and center on his side of the floor.

The most successful method of employing these lines is to allow two men to sit through the first line and be matched by the two second line men. Other attackers are then matched by the men of the forward line as they enter the defensive area.

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## DON'T USE BACKBOARD UNLESS UNDERNEATH BASKET

When is a backboard shot most feasible?

Answered by DANNY McNICHOIL

Former University of Pennsylvania captain and captain of the all-American basketball team. Characterized by many sporting writers as "the greatest basketball player of all time."

An intentional backboard shot is practical in only one instance, that being when the player is directly underneath the basket; meaning of course by underneath the basket an area about six feet square in front of the backboard.

The number of players who try to backboard their shots from any distance is so small, that it is almost negligible. During the course of a game, goals are made with and without the use of the backboard, but with a shot being an instinctive toss at the basket, it is purely a matter of chance whether it goes in clean or hits the backboard. My idea in coaching a young player is to have him shoot for the basket clean at a distance and use the backboard exclusively underneath.

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## TO PUSH THROUGH "FIVE MAN" DEFENSE

How can an attack be pushed through the "five man defense?"

Answered by W. E. MEANWELL

Coach, University of Wisconsin, inventor of the short passing game, the criss-cross attack and the five man defense. Always has a dangerous and leading team in the Conference.

There are (1) long and (2) short passing attacks, (3) combinations of both, and (4) the dribble and back pass to a trailer. Each one will be successful in the hands of a coach who has mastered that particular style and can teach it. I have had most success with a pivot and short pass attack against a five man defense, employing the forwards and center in a straight line across the floor and about ten feet apart, and with a guard trailing about fifteen feet behind the first line of attack and in the middle of the floor.

The first line passes the ball between themselves and advances until the defense stops further progress. When that occurs, the man with the ball pivots and passes, preferably to a man running forward, but finally passing backward if in danger of losing the ball. The first line advances by criss-crossing from side to side. The pivot is frequently employed and the passes are mostly on a low plane and preferably by means of a bounce or underhand pass.

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## USE PIVOT AND SHORT PASS ATTACK

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## Bringing Out the Bodies



When the Capitol Hotel, Houston, Tex., was swept by fire recently, some of the guests were trapped and burned to death. Many were hurt. Photo shows firemen removing one of the victims.

## OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

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Mary Scott on Arch street for the first time, returned home Wednesday.

## Holiday Visitors.

Many holiday visitors have been in town, some to remain over the New Year period. A guest at the Prout home for Christmas was Fred M. Mays of Oneonta. Miss Lillian Chase of Albany was with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Julian Chase on South Side. Miss Velma Boardman and Perry Boardman from Cleveland, Ohio, were at the E. E. Boardman home. Miss Alma Becker of Catkill and Miss Mildred Clark from Poughkeepsie are at their respective homes. Miss Helen Theysen has returned to her home in Brooklyn. Mr. and Mrs. Harold Wild and daughter, Barbara, of Schenectady, have been at the Bernard family gathering. Leroy Gardner of Chicago spent two days in town with his wife at the home of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. Stanley Chase. Mrs. Gardner leaves for a visit to New York city Friday. The Misses Lena and Alice Swackhamer are guests of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. C. Swackhamer. Miss Vera Strall of Afton is visiting her father, Orson Strall. Miss Mildred Strall is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Ray Banker on Division street. Miss Helen Theysen is at her home on upper Main street, over Christmas.

## CHRISTMAS WEEK IN WORCESTER.

Twelve Old Maids to be Presented December 28.  
Worcester, Dec. 26.—The play, "Twelve Old Maids," which was given December 17, by the ladies of the Methodist Episcopal church, with such great success, will be repeated by special request December 28, at the Wieting Opera house.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Crippen left Saturday morning for Schenectady, where they will visit Mrs. Crippen's brother, Lester Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilbur and daughter, of Seward spent Christmas with the former's mother, Mrs. Hester Wilbur. Elsworth Langdon of Schenectady was a Christmas guest of his mother, Mrs. Helen Langdon. Orin Pierce of Warsaw is enjoying a month's vacation at the home of his father, C. O.

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Haskell of Monticello is a holiday guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. Haskell. Mr. and Mrs. J. Campbell were shoppers in Albany Saturday.

## HUNTERS FROM WESTPORT

Westport, Dec. 26.—Mr. and Mrs. L. Holmes are visiting their daughter, Mrs. S. T. Bennett, of Springfield, Mass. Miss Maude McLorie of New York is spending the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McLorie. Leon Roberts' family expect soon to occupy their house which is being remodelled for them. Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Huntington are visiting relatives in Utica. Mr. and Mrs. Henry McLorie of Watertown are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McLorie and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. McLorie. Miss Emma Roseboom, who is connected with the Home Bureau of Tompkins county, is spending two weeks with her mother, Mrs. Charles Roseboom. The Christmas services Monday evening at the Baptist church were well attended. The music was excellent, the recitations well rendered and there was a fine, large tree with presents for all.

## MIDDLEFIELD MATTERS

Middlefield, Dec. 26.—The annual business meeting of the Baptist society will be held in the church parlors Wednesday evening, January 2. Miss Marjorie Allen of Irvington, N. J., is spending the holiday vacation with her home here. Mrs. Phoebe Jones is with her son, Mr. J. H. Jones, who is confined to his bed at this writing. Mrs. W. H. Wheeler and family left Sunday for Binghamton where they will spend Christmas. Oakley Ford of South was at the Allen home for Christmas.

## COOPERSTOWN JUNCTION.

Cooperstown Junction, Dec. 26.—Paul Cooper of Washington, D. C., has been visiting his brother, Frank, for the past few days. Wm. Lamont has gone to the Fox hospital for an operation on his eyes. His store here will be open from 4 to 5 p. m. Mrs. E. L. Leib entertained her sister from Maryland Monday. Mrs. Glenn Billman has returned from the Parshall hospital much improved in health. Mrs. A. D. Osterhout was shopping in Oneonta Monday. Charles Howe has finished his carpenter job at Maryland for Harry Stevens.

## Dixie Boys at Milford.

Milford, Dec. 26.—The Dixie Boys of Milford, a high class minstrel company, will give an entertainment in Jewell's hall Friday and Saturday evenings of this week. Admission is 15, 25 and 35 cents. The entertainment is for the benefit of the Niskayuna tent, K. O. T. M. All should attend.

## Delaware County News

## HOWARD COWAN BREAKS ARM

Engine Back Fires as He Attempts to Crank Automobile—Several on 4th St. Witnessed Scene at Town East.

Hobart, Dec. 26.—Howard Cowan, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Hector W. Cowan, had the misfortune to fracture his right arm Tuesday afternoon when the engine backfired as he attempted to crank an automobile. Dr. West was called and reduced the fracture.

## Among Those Sick.

Mrs. W. E. King is ill with an attack of neuritis.  
Miss Mary E. Hoyt, a teacher at Nyack, was called home by the serious illness of her father, C. A. Hoyt. A. S. Carroll's condition is reported as slightly improved.  
Charles Hoyt shows considerable improvement.  
L. G. Hanford is also on the sick list.

## Hobart Personals.

Rev. W. N. Hawkins and family spent Christmas at Lake Delaware, guests of Rev. and Mrs. Edgell. Attorney and Mrs. Donald Grant and son of Oneonta were guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. Hume Grant Christmas day. Dr. and Mrs. W. S. Hart of Oneonta were guests Christmas day of Mr. and Mrs. George Gallup. Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Coddington and daughters, Margaret and Helen of Saugerties, Miss Caroline Coddington of Bayonne, N. J., and Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Chamberlin and daughter, Florence, of Hunter, were guests Christmas day of Dr. and Mrs. L. J. Woodworth. The Misses Carrie and Mollie Han-

ford spent Christmas day at the home of M. N. Fribee, Bloomville. Mr. and Mrs. E. Scott Rose and daughters, Marion and Marjorie, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. King. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lyon, employed by the Central Hudson Gas and Electric corporation at Rifton, are spending the Christmas season with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Lyon. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foote and Rev. and Mrs. R. J. Harrison and son, Rodney, are guests of relatives in New York city. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sheffield and family of Hildewood, New Jersey, are here to enjoy the holiday season with relatives. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Platt and daughters, Edith and Betty, returned Wednesday from Binghamton, where they visited relatives for the Christmas season. Santa Claus was especially good to Hobart folks this year, even sending a Christmas gift from the North Pole to "the hello girls." Thanks and a Happy New Year.

## NEWS ABOUT STAMFORD

Francis Follow Dies From Injuries—Carpenter Injured by Fall—Mrs. J. G. Patterson and Mrs. Lamont Warner Die.

Stamford, Dec. 26.—Francis Follow, who, while insane, attempted suicide, by jumping from a second story window of the Pierce building on Railroad avenue, Sunday, receiving a fractured hip and other injuries, died from the injuries received Tuesday afternoon at the home of his daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Wilson.

## Injured by Fall of Scaffold.

Last Friday while Eugene Stryker, a carpenter, was engaged building a new garage for George Hitchcock, Beaver street, the scaffold broke and Mr. Stryker fell a distance of about 25 feet. No bones were broken but he suffered painful bruises by the fall and from a blow from a piece of falling plank.

## Death of Mrs. J. G. Patterson.

The wife of Rev. J. G. Patterson died at her home in Hamilton, December 25. Rev. Patterson was a former pastor of the Stamford Baptist church and he was the architect and supervised the erection of the parsonage which adjoins the Stamford church.

## Death of Mrs. Lamont Warner.

The wife of Lamont Warner died at her home in Brooklyn and remains were brought to Stamford Tuesday for interment in Stamford cemetery. Mr. Warner is a native of Stamford and a son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Warner.

## Stamford's Bazaar Thursday Night.

The Stamford fire department will hold their annual bazaar at the Opera house tomorrow evening. Music will be furnished by Mead's five-piece orchestra. Supper starts at 6 p. m. Dancing from 9 to 1. Admission and supper, \$1.00. Children 50 cents. Everybody is invited and the best plan an enjoyable time for all who attend.

## Open Real Estate Office.

J. G. Schickel, who for the past year has represented the Street Farm agency in this section, has resigned his position and opened a real estate office in Stamford for the sale of all kinds of real estate.

## Personals.

The Allen home on Liberty street has been sold to Cuban parties who will take possession in the spring. Mr. Lawrence, the buyer, has not-

ed from the Farm residence on Liberty street to rooms in the Thomas O'Brien house, Railroad avenue.

## Meets in Walton.

Charles Husted and family have moved to Walton where Mrs. Husted has opened a Peggy O'Neil shop for the sale of women's wear.

## CHRISTMAS AT DAVENPORT.

Exercises in United Presbyterian and Methodist Churches.

Davenport, Dec. 26.—The Christmas exercises of the United Presbyterian church were held at the church Saturday evening and were largely attended. The speaking and singing was fine and the trees were well laden with gifts.

The exercises of the Methodist Episcopal church were held Monday evening and the church was filled with friends. The tree and decorations were fine and the speaking and singing was much enjoyed. A collection was taken for the benefit of the recent Japanese earthquake sufferers.

## Holiday Guests.

Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hebbard entertained on Christmas day the following families: Robert Henderson, M. C. Hebbard, R. L. McArthur, H. T. Hebbard and Clarence Hebbard. Mr. and Mrs. Noah Haddell of Roseboom had for guests on Christmas day Bernard Roberts, son Carlton, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Graig, Master Walter, Jr., from this place and Miss Ella Cooper from Frankfort.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Sperry December 21, a daughter, Helen Christine.

## CHRISTMAS CELEBRATED.

The Joyous Occasion More Joyful Than Ever.

North Knighth, Dec. 25.—The Christmas season has been of more than ordinary interest here. Sunday morning Rev. R. R. Irwin preached a fitting and forceful sermon from the text, "For the son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost." Monday the church was artistically decorated and two Christmas

trees placed and that evening a delightful program was given, consisting of a Christmas pageant and singing and recitations by the smaller children. The choir also sang several beautiful selections. Credit for the success of the undertaking is largely due to F. E. VanDusen, the faithful superintendent of the Sabbath school, to Mrs. J. R. Henderson and Mrs. H. W. Harper, who conducted the pageant, and to Mrs. George R. Davis, whose untiring efforts in connection with the various musical parts of the program were pleasantly reflected. Most enjoyable, too, was the pantomime, "Little Town of Bethlehem," given by five Davenport girls, in costume, while Miss Velma McCracken effectively rendered the song. The effort was truly appreciated here.

After the well-laden trees were stripped, a "surprise" was sprung on the pastor, Rev. R. R. Irwin, who was called to the platform to open a box addressed to him. It proved to be a \$100 radio outfit. This gift was made possible through the activities of R. H. Surges and G. R. Davis, practically all of the families of the community participating in the purchase of the present. This unexpected expression of good will and loyalty unpurged Mr. Irwin for a moment, but, recovering himself, he made a felicitous little speech, graciously thanking all.

## FROM EAST MEREDITH.

East Meredith, Dec. 25.—Ralph Hanford is home for a two weeks' vacation. Charles Haynes was the guest of friends in Syracuse the first of the week. Ferris Hanford was home from Sunday until Wednesday morning from his work in Albany. There were several dinner parties in town Christmas. The Hetherington family were guests of their brother, George and wife, in Oneonta Christmas day. William Stewart of Delhi is visiting his sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith. Mr. and Mrs. O. Smith have as their guests his sister and her husband, from High Falls.

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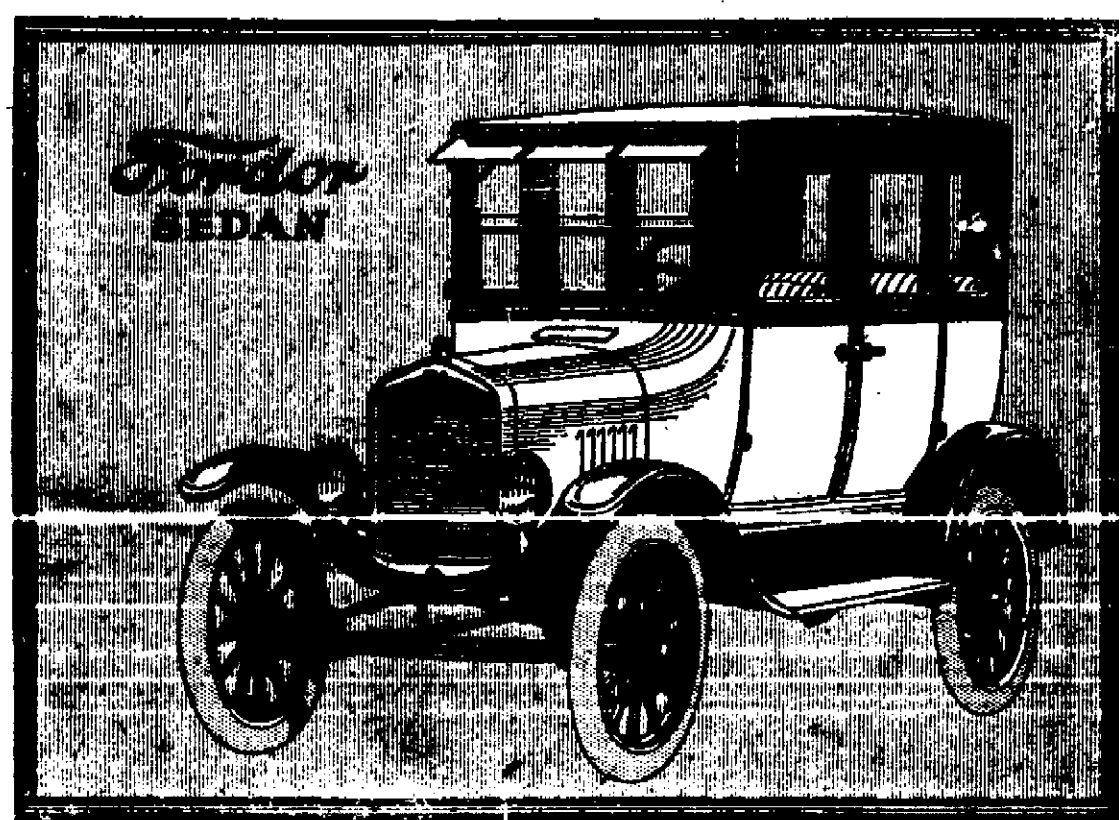
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